Leavitt Hornet Classic
January 12th, 2019
Leavitt Area High School
Coach's Notes

Welcome to the 2019 Leavitt Hornet Classic! Here is some important information for race day. This is only the third time in ten years that we have been able to host this race at Leavitt. Mother Nature was mostly kind to us this week and with cold temperatures today, the conditions are real good.

Race Day Schedule:

7:30am-9:30am—Registration/Bib Pick-Up
10:15am: Course Closed
10:30am: Boys 5K Classical 15sec individual start
12:00pm: Girls 5K Classical 15sec individual start
Approx. 3:00pm: Awards in the cafeteria

Weather:
The weather is looking good for race day but it will be very cold. Please be sure that all athletes are properly dressed with multiple layers and with facial coverage (and coaches and spectators too). The cafeteria is open all day as a warming place.

Course Info:

The course is a two lap course. See the course map on the website. The start is on the football field. The finish is on the other side of the football field adjacent to the timing shed. The course will close 15 minutes prior to each race. If time allows, the course will reopen for athletes before the girls race. Coaches are allowed on course at all times.
Always ski in the direction of the race course. Skiing in the opposite direction will result in a disqualification. Absolutely no walking on the course. Only walking is allowed on the field on the ungroomed snow. This is a two lap course. Racers who do not ski the required number will be disqualified.

Grooming Plan:
Check out the Virtual Team Coaches Meeting for the grooming plan and conditions.

Technique:

This is a classical race. No skating is allowed except skate turns (where no track is set) and when changing tracks , in which case the competitor is allowed one skate out and one skate back in. A skier will be disqualified if he/she obviously ignores a stop skating warning of an official or he/she receives a second stop skating warning by an official.

Other Rules:

The use of freestyle skis is prohibited. Glide wax of no higher than LF may be used. There is no restriction on kick wax.

Registration:

**Location change: Registration/bib pick-up is located inside the school at the transportation entrance (at the parking lot). Look for the transportation sign and registration signs. Registration is 7:30-9:30am. Coaches report any scratches. If there are racers to be added to the start list, they will go at the end of the start list. Hopefully, there will be very minimum amount of additions.   There is no change to start order on race day.

Electricity:

There are very limited electrical outlets available. See the layout map on the website for locations.

Parking:

Bus parking is in the parking lot next to the track. All spectator parking is near the front side of the high school and near the middle school. A security officer should be present to direct the bus.

Restrooms:

Teams should use the locker rooms inside the school. The entrance is located across from the ski building. There are also bathrooms across from the gym and bathrooms near the cafeteria. Leavitt Area High School is not responsible for any lost or stolen items. Please do not enter the gyms. Be advised that there are basketball practices all day long.

Concessions:

There will be a concession stand selling hot/cold drinks, snacks, hot foods (i.e. chili, chop suey). It will be located in the cafeteria. Please enter by the outside doors facing the track parking lot as the school hallway will be locked.

Results:

Results will be posted on the outside of the ski building. Protests must be submitted by the coach. Protests must be made within 15 minutes after the official results have been posted. Results (along with photos) will be posted on the MHSS website and be sent to area newspapers.

Awards will take place in the cafeteria as soon as results become official (approximately 3:00pm). There will be an announcement indicating the award ceremony start.

Thank you for your help in making the Hornet Classic a success.